

MINUTES OF THE
SENATE EDUCATION STANDING COMMITTEE
Tuesday, January 23, 2007
Room W130, West Office Building, State Capitol Complex

Members Present: Sen. Margaret Dayton, Committee Chair
Sen. Greg Bell
Sen. Pat Jones
Sen. Darin Peterson
Sen. Ross Romero
Sen. Howard A. Stephenson

Members Excused: Sen. Curtis Bramble
Sen. Lyle Hillyard

Staff Present: Phillip V. Dean, Policy Analyst
Norda Shepard, Secretary

Public Speakers Present: David Barrett, President, Utah Council of Education
Jonathan Lawes, Board Member, Utah Council of Education
Kelly Tauteoli, Board Member, Utah Council of Education
Shawna Baird, American Federation of Teachers
McKell Withers, Superintendent, Salt Lake City School District
Moya Kessig, Exe. Dir. Human Resources, Jordan School District
Steve Peterson, Utah School Boards Association
Jeff Leonard, General Counsel, Utah Employees Association
Susan Kuzick, Executive Director, Utah Education Association

A list of visitors is filed with the committee minutes.

Committee Chair Dayton called the meeting to order at 3:43 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Sen. Stephenson moved to approve the minutes of January 22, 2007. The motion passed unanimously with Sen. Jones absent at the time of the vote.

2. S.B. 56 Teacher Association Amendments

Sen. Mark B. Madsen presented the bill. David Barrett, President, Utah Council of Educators; Jonathan Lawes, Board Member, Utah Council of Educators; Kelly Tauteoli, Board Member, Utah Council of Educators; and Shawna Baird, American Federation of Teachers, spoke in support.

McKell Withers, Superintendent, Salt Lake City School District; Moya Kessig, Executive Director of Human Resources, Jordan School District; Steve Peterson, representing the Utah School Boards Association and the Utah State Superintendents Association; Jeff Leonard, General Counsel, Utah Employees Association; and Susan Kuzick, Executive Director, Utah Education Association, spoke in opposition.

MOTION: Sen. Peterson moved to pass S.B. 56, Teacher Association Amendments, out with a favorable recommendation.

The motion passed with Sens. Jones and Romero voting in opposition.

MOTION: Sen. Peterson moved to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Dayton adjourned the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

Minutes were reported by Norda Shepard, Secretary.

Sen. Margaret Dayton, Committee Chair